

# **BYLAWS OF SAN ANTONIO ACADEMY ALUMNI COUNCIL**

## **ARTICLE I**

### **Name**

The name of the organization shall be the San Antonio Academy Alumni Council.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **Mission**

**The mission of the San Antonio Academy Alumni Council, hereinafter referred to as Alumni Council, is to encourage the return of the alumni to the campus during the school year. These opportunities will facilitate the alumni's firsthand exposure to the positive growth, direction and successes of the Academy. It is the Alumni Council's primary goal and intention that this alumni interaction will promote good will while also enhancing alumni support and involvement with San Antonio Academy.**

## **ARTICLE III**

### **Membership**

**A. Regular members**

**Members are nominated by a council member and approved by majority vote of the Alumni Council. The Council will select members based upon recommendations from the membership and/or the Administration of the Academy.**

**B. Officers**

**The President is nominated by a council member and approved by a majority vote of the council for a two-year term beginning in September each school year. This term may be extended by agreement by the majority of the Alumni Council.**

**The 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary are nominated by a council member and approved by a majority vote of the council for one-year terms beginning in September each school year. These terms may be extended by agreement by the majority of the Alumni Council.**

**C. Composition**

**The Council shall be comprised of all interested alumni in addition to the President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice President, 3rd Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Parliamentarian.**

**D. Vacancy**

**Any vacancy among the officers of the Alumni Council may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Council, although less than a quorum. A member so elected shall serve for the un-expired term of his predecessor.**

- E. Board of Trustees  
**The President of the Alumni Council shall represent the organization on the San Antonio Academy Board of Trustees as an Ex-Officio member for the duration of his term.**

ARTICLE IV  
Organization and Meetings

- A. Number of Meetings  
**Meetings shall be conducted at least four times per year, generally once per month through the school year and once during the summer.**
- B. Notice  
**Notice of a meeting of the Council shall be provided by the President to each member of the Council and interested person not less than twenty-four (24) hours before the time fixed for such meeting.**
- C. Quorum of Members  
**At least seven members that include three officers of the Alumni Council as constituted for the time being shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business absent an agreement to the contrary by the majority of the Alumni Council. When a quorum is present at any meeting, a majority of the membership present shall decide and deliberate any question brought before such meeting, except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws and/or law and/or agreement of the majority of the Alumni Council membership. If less than a majority of the members are present at said meeting, a majority of the officers present may adjourn the meeting 15 minutes after the scheduled starting time without further notice to the membership of the Alumni Council.**
- Members of the Alumni Council may participate in a meeting by such means of teleconference and/or videoconference or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear and comprehend each other, and participating in a meeting pursuant to this Article shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.**
- D. Place of Meetings  
**All meetings of the Alumni Council shall be held at San Antonio Academy or at such other location as may be agreed to by the officers and/or majority of the membership of the Alumni Council.**
- E. Special Meeting(s)  
**A special meeting of the Alumni Council may be called at the request of any three (3) members of the Alumni Council other than the President. Notice of any such special meeting shall be required as described in section B of this article and shall specify the business to be considered at such special session.**

F. Standing Committees

**The responsibilities of the alumni council shall be carried out by the following committees: Homecoming Weekend Committee; and Humanitarian Award Committee.**

G. Additional Committee(s)

**The President may, at any time, appoint one or more additional committees, which shall consist of such person(s), as the President shall designate. Members of such committees need not be officers of the Alumni Council, and the membership of each committee may be increased or decreased by the President as necessary.**

H. Awards

**The Alumni Council will bestow an award annually to: an alumnus; and/or a person whose accomplishments exemplify the traits, enthusiasm and commitment of Colonel W.T. Bondurant, Sr.; or a person who has positively impacted the Academy and/or the Greater Academy Community and/or the South Texas Community.**

1. W.T. Bondurant, Sr. Humanitarian Award. – given to a worthy recipient who meets any or all of the aforementioned criteria.

- a. Nominations – Candidates shall be nominated by the Alumni council with the assistance of the Administration and the Development Office. The candidate who receives the majority of the votes will be formally asked to accept the Award.

2. W.T. Bondurant, Jr. Oratorical Award. – given to a seventh or eighth grade cadet who is chosen by the Alumni Council as the best orator in the competition sponsored by the English Department.

3. W.T. Bondurant, Jr. Distinguished Alumnus Award - **The Col. W.T. Bondurant, Jr. Distinguished Alumnus Award was created in 2007 to honor SAA Alumni who exemplify The Academy's values of be honest...be kind...be the best you can be.**

I. Dues

**The Dues for membership in the Alumni Council consist of a contribution of at least Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) per year. This amount may be changed as circumstances warrant, subject to a majority vote of the Alumni Council.**

J. Class Agents

**As is deemed necessary by the Alumni Council, graduates of San Antonio Academy may be selected to serve as the Class Agent for their respective classes. The Class Agents will be selected by the Alumni Council and/or the Development Office and/or the Administration of San Antonio Academy. The Class Agents will assist the Alumni Council in establishing contacts between the alumni and the Academy using such means as may be deemed appropriate by the Alumni Council.**

ARTICLE V  
Process for Change

A. Changes to By-laws

**These bylaws may be amended, supplemented, repealed, altered, in whole or in part, after adequate notice by majority vote of the Alumni Council members present at a meeting if there are sufficient members present to constitute a quorum. In the alternative, the proposed amendments, supplements or alterations will be submitted to the Alumni Council via electronic mail for review, evaluation and consideration.**

B. Changes in Writing

**Supplements and amendments may be proposed by a member of the Alumni council and must be submitted in writing to the President. The proposed supplement(s) or amendment(s) will be submitted to the membership of the Alumni Council contemporaneously with the notice for the meeting.**

C. Effective Date:

**Supplements and amendments will become effective immediately upon approval by the majority of the membership of the Alumni Council.**

*\*Note: Alterations were proposed to the 2nd Amended Bylaws during an Executive Alumni Council Meeting of officers on May 13, 2016. The proposed amendments were voted and approved by the Alumni Council on June 1, 2016.*